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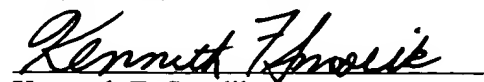
Please change the title to "A SIMULATION SYSTEM FOR A SIMULATION ENGINE WITH A HELP WEBSITE AND PROCESSING ENGINE".

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The Applicant submits the change in title in order to be more succinct.

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